

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : John C. Batterton et al.  
Serial No. : 10/749,833  
Filed : December 30, 2003  
Title : DROP EJECTION ASSEMBLY

Art Unit : 2853  
Examiner : Geoffrey S. Mruk  
Conf. No. : 9382

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Commissioner for Patents  
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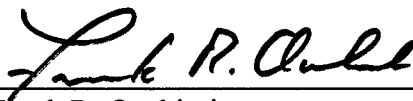
PETITION FOR ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136, applicant hereby petitions that the period for response to the action dated March 13, 2006, be extended for one month to and including July 13, 2006.

The required extension fee in the amount of \$120 is being paid concurrently herewith on the Electronic Filing System (EFS) by way of Deposit Account authorization. Please apply any other charges or credits to Deposit Account No. 06-1050, referencing Attorney Docket Number 09991-151001.

Respectfully submitted,

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